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### Quantification of $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$

The main body of the paper states “the bromine content of the stratosphere is much larger than within the AER model for the WMO  $\text{Br}_y$  scenario (differences quantified in auxiliary material)”. The purpose of this section of the auxiliary material is to quantify the inorganic bromine offset (i.e., value of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$ ) that, when added to the value of  $\text{Br}_y$  calculated from the decomposition of long lived organic bromocarbons, agrees best with the data points for “ $\text{Br}_y$  from  $\text{BrO}$ ” shown in Figure 1 (these data points termed  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{BrO}}$  here). We use estimates of  $\text{Br}_y$  from the decomposition of long-lived organics that are found two ways:

- the relation given in *Wamsley et al.* [1998] based on observations of  $\text{CH}_3\text{Br}$ , Halon-1211, Halon-1301, Halon-2402,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Br}_2$ , and  $\text{CH}_2\text{BrCl}$  (this relation termed  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{Org: Wamsley}}$ )
- the relation calculated using the AER model based on supply of stratospheric bromine from the decomposition of  $\text{CH}_3\text{Br}$ , Halon-1211, Halon-1301, Halon-2402, and Halon-1202 according to the WMO Ab baseline scenario described in table 1-16 of *WMO* [2003] (this relation termed  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{Org: AER}}$ ).

We first consider the value of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  needed to give best agreement between  $\text{Br}_y$  inferred from  $\text{BrO}$  ( $\text{Br}_y^{\text{BrO}}$ ) and the Wamsley organic bromine relation ( $\text{Br}_y^{\text{Org: Wamsley}}$ ). For the 87 data points of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{BrO}}$  versus CFC-11 shown in Figure 1, we have evaluated  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{Org: Wamsley}}$  at the corresponding value of CFC-11, to arrive at the quantity  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{Org-Fit}}$ :

$$\text{Br}_y^{\text{Org-Fit}}(\text{CFC-11}) = \text{Br}_y^{\text{Org: Wamsley}}(\text{CFC-11}) + \text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}} \quad (1)$$

The mean difference between this  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{Org-Fit}}$  and the data points  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{BrO}}$  is computed:

$$\langle \text{DIFF} \rangle = 1/87 \times \sum (\text{Br}_y^{\text{BrO}} - \text{Br}_y^{\text{Org-Fit}}) \quad (2)$$

where the summation is carried out for the 87 data points. The resulting difference, as a function of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$ , is shown in Figure 6a. To minimize the least squares difference of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{Org-Fit}}$  with respect to the data points for  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{BrO}}$ , we define the cost function:

$$\langle \text{RESID} \rangle = \text{sqrt} [ 1/87 \times \sum (\text{Br}_y^{\text{BrO}} - \text{Br}_y^{\text{Org-Fit}})^2 ] \quad (3)$$

where again the summation is carried out for the 87 data points. The resulting cost function is plotted versus  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  in Figure 6b. It is evident from Figures 6a and 6b that, in a least squares statistical sense, a value of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  equal to 4.2 ppt is most consistent with the values of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{BrO}}$  reported by *Wamsley et al.* [1998].

The same analysis is repeated using the organic  $\text{Br}_y$  relation from the AER model for September 1994 at 35°N (i.e., the relations shown in Figure 1b). Here,  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{Org: AER}}$  replaces the quantity  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{Org: Wamsley}}$  in equation (1). Resulting values of  $\langle \text{DIFF} \rangle$  and  $\langle \text{RESID} \rangle$  are shown in Figures 6c and 6d. The best fit to the data for  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{BrO}}$ , in a least squares sense, is found for a value of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  equal to 6.9 ppt.

The difference between least squares fit values for  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  of 4.2 ppt (for  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{Org: Wamsley}}$ ) and 6.9 ppt (for  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{Org: AER}}$ ) is consistent with our understanding of how these two organic relations were computed. The *Wamsley et al.* [1998] relation includes contributions from  $\text{CH}_3\text{Br}$ , halons, plus  $\text{CH}_2\text{Br}_2$  and  $\text{CH}_2\text{BrCl}$ . The AER calculation, based on the WMO [2003] scenario, considers contributions to  $\text{Br}_y$  from only  $\text{CH}_3\text{Br}$  and halons. The contribution of  $\text{CH}_2\text{Br}_2$  and  $\text{CH}_2\text{BrCl}$  to stratospheric  $\text{Br}_y$  is about ~2.3 ppt [*Wamsley et al.*, 1998]. These gases decompose quickly in the stratosphere (shorter lifetime than  $\text{CH}_3\text{Br}$ ), and hence most of the bromine released from these source molecules is available just above the tropopause (e.g., plate 1 of *Wamsley et al.* [1998]).

The  $\text{Br}_y$  versus CFC-11 relation from *Wamsley et al.* [1998] shown in Figure 1a exhibits more curvature than the relation from the AER model shown in Figure 1b. The difference of these two relations follows rather closely the shape of the expected contribution to  $\text{Br}_y$  from  $\text{CH}_2\text{Br}_2$  and  $\text{CH}_2\text{BrCl}$ , computed from equation (14) of *Wamsley et al.* [1998]. Hence, the difference in the shape of these two  $\text{Br}_y$  relations is largely due to the shorter stratospheric lifetimes of  $\text{CH}_2\text{Br}_2$  and  $\text{CH}_2\text{BrCl}$ , relative to the lifetimes of  $\text{CH}_3\text{Br}$  and halons.

Finally, Halon-1202 is considered by *WMO* [2003], but not by *Wamsley et al.* [1998]. The tropospheric abundance of this gas was ~0.05 ppt in the year 2000 [table 1.16, *WMO*, 2003]. The ~0.1 ppt of  $\text{Br}_y$  associated with Halon-1202 is negligible in the context of our present study, and it is of no consequence to our results that some studies have neglected to considered contributions of this gas to  $\text{Br}_y$ .

In the main body of the paper, we have chosen to show model results using  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  values of 0, 4, and 8 ppt rather than using the “best fit” value of 6.9 ppt from the AER relation shown in Figures 1b, 6c and 6d. This choice was made because our intent is to show the sensitivity of ozone loss to bromine, rather than to “overly interpret” the best fit value of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$

resulting from the analysis of the in situ data. Indeed, the best fit to the value of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{BrO}}$  inferred from the *Pundt et al.* [2002] measurements of BrO is for a value of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}} \geq 8$  ppt (Figure 2).

A possible criticism of our approach could be that the VSL organics require some time to release their bromine, once air masses containing these gases enter the stratosphere. As a result, use of an “offset” to the model  $\text{Br}_y$  relations is an oversimplification. However, the data for  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{BrO}}$  from observations of BrO shown in Figures 1 and 2 plus the data for BrO vertical column shown in Figure 8 all suggest that the enhanced bromine is released in the lowermost stratosphere, near the 16 km point at mid-latitudes where enhanced bromine has its largest effect on calculated ozone trends. Even though use of a constant offset is somewhat of a simplification, it captures the essence of what appears to be occurring and it is also a straightforward parameterization to implement in any model of global ozone photochemistry. Indeed, it will be interesting to see how other models evaluate the impact on ozone trends and ozone photochemistry of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  values of 4 and 8 ppt, which we hope our work will motivate. The results will likely depend on the abundance of ClO found in the lowermost stratosphere of the various models, and hence could differ from results shown here given the complexities involved with calculating ClO for this region of the atmosphere (e.g., descent, heterogeneous chemistry, availability of  $\text{NO}_x$  to sequester ClO and  $\text{ClONO}_2$ , etc).

## Calculation of $\text{Br}_y$ from SAOZ BrO

Figure 2 presents a calculation of  $\text{Br}_y$  from balloon-borne, spectroscopic SAOZ measurements of BrO obtained at 22°S on November 29, 1997 by *Pundt et al.* [2002]. To our knowledge, this is the only published profile of BrO in the tropics. The purpose of this section is to describe how  $\text{Br}_y$  was calculated from this profile of BrO.

We have used our photochemical box model [e.g., *Salawitch et al.*, 2002] to estimate  $\text{Br}_y$  associated with BrO at each altitude. Model inputs are shown in Table 1. Data files were provided by F. Goutail [private communication, 2004]; the profile of BrO is identical to that shown in figures 8, 9, and 11 of *Pundt et al.* [2002]. Model inputs for  $\text{O}_3$ , temperature, pressure, and SZA are based on SAOZ measurements and ephemeris. Model inputs for  $\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{CH}_4$ , and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  are from the URAP (UARS Reference Atmospheric Project) model atmosphere, available on-line at: <http://code916.gsfc.nasa.gov/Public/Analysis/UARS/urap/home.html>. We have used the URAP data since no tracers were measured on this SAOZ flight. Input  $\text{NO}_y$  was estimated from URAP  $\text{N}_2\text{O}$  using the relation of *Popp et al.* [2001]. The profile for stratospheric sulfate aerosol loading is from the SAGE climatology of *Thomason et al.* [1997], updated to include data acquired during November 1997 [L. Thomason, private communication, 2004]. Other quantities input to the model include  $\text{Cl}_y$ ,  $\text{CO}$ ,  $\text{H}_2$ , and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ . Inputs for these quantities are also based on published observations, but since these parameters have no bearing on the calculated  $\text{Br}_y$  profile, values are not given in Table 1. The SZAs given in Table 1 are for evening.

Table 1 also contains the total  $1\sigma$  measurement uncertainty for BrO. Two values are given, reflecting lower and upper bounds. These uncertainties were calculated based on information provided in table 3 and paragraph [34] of *Pundt et al.* [2002]. We have combined measurement accuracy and precision in quadrature to arrive at the total uncertainty. At lower altitudes, the ~1.5 ppt precision for BrO makes the largest contribution to the total uncertainty.

Model results for calculated  $\text{Br}_y$  are shown in Table 2. The value of  $\text{Br}_y$  was treated as a free parameter in the box model, and was adjusted until measured and modeled BrO matched for the SZA of observation. A similar  $\text{Br}_y$  profile is found if values of model inputs for  $\text{NO}_y$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , and  $\text{CH}_4$  are taken from the AER 2D model instead of from the URAP model atmosphere.

Two estimates of uncertainty are calculated for model  $\text{Br}_y$  (Table 2). The first, termed “Meas. Unc.” in Table 2 (thick error bar in Fig. 2), reflects the fractional uncertainty in measured BrO, applied directly to calculated  $\text{Br}_y$ . The second, termed “Total Unc.” in Table 2 (thin error bar in Fig. 2) represents a RSS combination of “Meas. Unc.” for  $\text{Br}_y$  with the uncertainty in  $\text{Br}_y$  due to the kinetic factors that regulate the  $\text{BrO}/\text{Br}_y$  ratio (“Kin. Unc.”). For the altitudes considered here,  $\text{BrONO}_2$  is the dominant unobserved  $\text{Br}_y$  species. We derived “Kin. Unc.” by carrying out numerous calculations of  $\text{Br}_y$ , varying the rates of formation and loss of  $\text{BrONO}_2$  for the range of uncertainties given by *Sander et al.* [2003]. In all cases, values given in Table 2 represent lower and upper limits for  $\text{Br}_y$  (or BrO) considering the stated uncertainties.

Figure 2 indicates that  $\text{Br}_y$  inferred from measured BrO is considerably larger than the estimated value of stratospheric  $\text{Br}_y$  based solely on supply from  $\text{CH}_3\text{Br}$ +halons. This result is not surprising given that the measured profile of BrO peaks at 15.7 ppt (Table 1), nearly equal to the total bromine content supplied by  $\text{CH}_3\text{Br}$  and halons [WMO, 2003]. Peak stratospheric BrO mixing ratios between 15 and 20 ppt are measured on all SAOZ flights (e.g., figure 8 of *Pundt et al.* [2002]). Even though our analysis has focused on the tropical SAOZ flight, it appears that data collected during most (if not all) of the SAOZ flights supports the view that  $\text{CH}_3\text{Br}$  and halons fall far short of supplying the full burden of stratospheric  $\text{Br}_y$ .

## Column BrO from GOME

The main body of the paper states “the vertical column of BrO from GOME [Chance, 1998] during May 1997 far exceeds vertical BrO columns from the AER model”. Also, in the main body of the paper, results for the vertical column of BrO from GOME are compared to columns from the AER model, where we have adjusted the GOME data to account for a possible, ubiquitous, global tropospheric mixing ratio of BrO equal to 1 ppt. We also have noted in the paper that the region marked “Enhanced Tropospheric BrO” in Figure 3 would be discussed. Here we present supporting details and discussion of these points, as well as brief background information regarding GOME.

The Global Ozone Monitoring Experiment (GOME) was launched on the European Space Agency (ESA) ERS-2 satellite on April 21, 1995. The satellite is in a sun synchronous polar orbit with a 10:30 am equator crossing time in the descending node. The GOME instrument measures back-scattered radiances over the spectral range 240 to 800 nm. Spectral fits to data acquired between 344 and 360 nm are used to obtain the slant column density of BrO ( $SCD_{BrO}$ ) [e.g., *Chance*, 1998].

*Chance* [1998] reported a vertical column density for BrO ( $VCD_{BrO}$ ) using an air mass factor (AMF) based on the assumption that all of the BrO molecules in the line-of-sight were in the stratosphere:

$$VCD_{BrO} = SCD_{BrO} / AMF_{STRAT} \quad (4)$$

Radiative transfer calculations show that for solar zenith angles less than  $70^\circ$ ,  $AMF_{STRAT}$ , the ratio of the path of sunlight through the atmosphere to the vertical path, assuming the absorbing species is present entirely in the stratosphere, is nearly equal to the geometric approximation:

$$AMF_{STRAT} \approx 1/\cos(SZA) + 1/\cos(AAO) \quad (5)$$

where SZA is solar zenith angle and AAO is the average angle of observation [e.g., *Wagner et al.*, 2001]. For the nadir observations used here, equation (5) reduces to:

$$AMF_{STRAT} \approx 1/\cos(SZA) + 1 \quad (6)$$

Measurements of  $VCD_{BrO}$  from GOME orbit #70502164 on May 2, 1997, assuming all of the absorption is due to stratospheric BrO, are shown in Figure 7a. Error bars, based on the residual of the spectral fits, are shown for every  $50^{\text{th}}$  point for clarity. Data are shown for spectra acquired with  $SZA < 70^\circ$ , to assure the validity of equation (5) for  $AMF_{STRAT}$ . These data are very similar to those shown in Figure 5 of *Chance* [1998] except they have been retrieved using the BrO absorption cross section measurements of *Wilmouth et al.* [1999].

Also shown in Figure 7a are estimates of total column BrO from the AER model for April 15, 1997, at local noon, for model runs using values of  $Br_y^{TROP}$  equal to 0, 4, and 8 ppt. We have assumed no contribution from the troposphere for model values of BrO column shown here, and in the main body of the paper. Column BrO from the AER model has been determined from the integral of the model BrO profile above the chemical tropopause, defined as the pressure for which the abundance of ozone first reaches a value of 0.1 ppm.

Figure 7a shows that, if the BrO column observed by GOME is assumed to reside entirely in the stratosphere, the abundance of  $VCD_{BrO}$  measured by GOME is much larger than the amount of stratospheric BrO found for any of the AER model runs. All data in Figure 7 are restricted to  $SZA < 70^\circ$ . Even though the model results are for local noon and the GOME estimates of  $VCD_{BrO}$  are for various times of day (close to 10:30 am local time, except near the poles), off-line photochemical model calculations demonstrate that no significant part of the difference between measured and modeled BrO can be explained by diurnal variations in the BrO column, which varies slowly during the sunlit portion of the day according to known chemistry.

We have also computed the residual *stratospheric* column of BrO from GOME, termed  $VCD_{BrO-STRAT}$ , assuming that a portion of the BrO signal observed by GOME is due to BrO molecules residing in the troposphere. We use the formulation:

$$VCD_{BrO-STRAT} = [ SCD_{BrO} - AMF_{TROP} \times VCD_{BrO-TROP} ] / AMF_{STRAT} \quad (7)$$

where  $SCD_{BrO}$  is the slant column density of BrO [same quantity as in equation (4)],  $VCD_{BrO-TROP}$  is the hypothetical column density of BrO below the tropopause, and  $AMF_{TROP}$  is the ratio of the path of sunlight through the atmosphere to the vertical path assuming the absorbing species is in the troposphere. Radiative transfer calculations show that  $AMF_{TROP}$  typically cannot be described by a simple geometric approximation [e.g., section 2 of *Wagner et al.*, 2001]. Our estimates of  $AMF_{TROP}$  are based on radiative transfer calculations similar to those described by *Zeng et al.* [2003]. The value of  $AMF_{TROP}$  can differ substantially from  $AMF_{STRAT}$ , particularly for  $SZA$  larger than  $\sim 60^\circ$  [e.g., figure 1 of *Wagner et al.*, 2001], due to differences in the penetration and extinction of incoming solar radiation. Also,  $AMF_{TROP}$  is sensitive to ground albedo, which is not the case for  $AMF_{STRAT}$  [*Wagner et al.*, 2001]. We have used the actual albedo of each GOME pixel for our calculation of  $AMF_{TROP}$  as well as tropopause height (as a function of latitude) based on the chemical tropopause from the AER model for April 15, 1997.

We have not accounted for the possible presence of clouds in the analysis presented here. Clouds can shield from the view of GOME absorbing species located below cloud top and must be considered when quantifying the contribution of boundary layer BrO to the GOME measurement of  $SCD_{BrO}$  [*Wagner et al.*, 2001]. Interestingly, for GOME measurements of BrO acquired over the mid-Pacific Ocean in October 1997 (e.g., observations far removed from local Arctic sources of halogens), there appears to be no significant correlation between column BrO and cloud cover [*Chance et al.*, 1998]. This result suggests the majority of any possible tropospheric absorption is occurring above the cloud tops (e.g., in the free troposphere). The value of  $VCD_{BrO-TROP}$  used in equation (7) was found by assuming a uniform BrO mixing ratio throughout

the troposphere, with tropopause height based on the chemical tropopause from the AER model (e.g., variable tropopause height versus latitude). Assuming that 1 ppt of BrO is uniformly distributed throughout the troposphere, the difference between  $VCD_{BrO}$  and  $VCD_{BrO-STRAT}$  varies from  $\sim 2.0 \times 10^{13}$  molecules/cm<sup>2</sup> at 35°S and the equator, to  $\sim 2.2 \times 10^{13}$  molecules/cm<sup>2</sup> at 35°N, and rises to  $\sim 3.0 \times 10^{13}$  molecules/cm<sup>2</sup> at 60°N.

Figures 7b-e show comparisons of  $VCD_{BrO-STRAT}$  to the stratospheric column of BrO from the AER model, for values of tropospheric BrO mixing ratio of 0.5 ppt, 1 ppt, 1.5 ppt, and 2 ppt, respectively. Note the shift in the y-axis of Figures 7d and 7e, relative to the other panels, to show data points that drop below zero when larger tropospheric contributions are subtracted from the GOME BrO signal.

The region marked “enhanced tropospheric BrO” corresponds to observations over Hudson Bay, which show large increases in column BrO on May 2, 1997 due to release of bromine from the snow and ice pack [Chance, 1998; Zeng *et al.*, 2003]. Aircraft observations obtained during April 26, 1997 show that enhanced BrO exists throughout the high-latitude, free troposphere (e.g., above the planetary boundary layer) [McElroy *et al.*, 1999]. We have not made any attempt to increase  $VCD_{BrO-TROP}$  for data collected in this region. Rather, our goal is to examine how the overall comparison between measured and modeled BrO columns shown in Figure 7a evolves if we assume a portion of the GOME signal is due to varying amounts of a possible, ubiquitous, tropospheric abundance of BrO.

The comparison in Figure 7c shows that, even for a background level of tropospheric BrO of 1 ppt, the contribution of stratospheric BrO to the GOME signal exceeds stratospheric column BrO from the AER model for the WMO [2003]  $Br_y$  scenario. Reasonable agreement (e.g., overlap of error bars at most latitudes, except for the region marked “enhanced tropospheric BrO”) is achieved for the AER model run using  $Br_y^{TROP} = 8$  ppt. The quantity  $Br_y^{TROP}$  refers to  $Br_y$  released from all sources for air that has ascended to the *tropopause*, which is not to be confused with the ubiquitous background level of tropospheric BrO that might be present at all altitudes. Of course, global background tropospheric BrO would likely contribute to  $Br_y^{TROP}$ . For a tropospheric BrO of 2 ppt (Figure 7e),  $VCD_{BrO-STRAT}$  exhibits closer overall agreement with stratospheric column BrO from the AER model. However, the latitudinal structure of modeled and measured BrO columns are not in very good agreement for this case.

The comparisons shown in Figure 7 are meant to motivate the need to achieve a consistent picture of the *atmospheric* distribution of BrO. It is likely that the large discrepancy between GOME  $VCD_{BrO}$  and column BrO found within many models (e.g., Figure 7a) is caused by a combination of contributions from both the *troposphere* and the *stratosphere* that are not properly represented in these models. It is probably too simple to ascribe the entire difference between GOME  $VCD_{BrO}$  and column BrO from the AER model, for the WMO  $Br_y$  scenario, to tropospheric BrO. Many attempts have been made to define the global background tropospheric abundance of BrO, from both ground-based and space-based techniques that use a variety of assumptions. A comprehensive review is beyond the scope of our paper or this auxiliary material section, but a summary is given in section 6 of Platt and Hönniger [2003]. These methods typically find values for average tropospheric BrO ranging from 1 to 2 ppt [Platt and Hönniger, 2003]. However, a recent study of ground-based diffuse and direct sunlight over Lauder, NZ (45°S) suggests a mean value for tropospheric BrO of only 0.2 ppt, and an upper limit of 0.9 ppt [Schofield *et al.*, 2004]. Clearly, more work remains to define the cause of the imbalance between modeled and measured total column BrO. The results in Figure 3 of our paper, and in Figure 8 of the auxiliary material, suggest a consistent picture with many observations might be achieved for a tropospheric background level of  $\sim 1$  ppt and enhancements in stratospheric  $Br_y$ , relative to the WMO  $Br_y$  scenario, ranging from 4 to 8 ppt.

## Column BrO from Ground-Based Measurements

The main body of our paper states “the stratospheric vertical column of BrO given by Schofield *et al.* [2004] is consistent with values of  $Br_y^{TROP}$  between 4 and 8 ppt when compared to calculations of column BrO from the AER model”. The purpose of this section is to illustrate these comparisons and to comment further on ground-based measurements of column BrO.

Proper interpretation of the stratospheric implications of column BrO is challenged by the need to distinguish the stratospheric and tropospheric contributions to the measurement. Schofield *et al.* [2004] examined diffuse and direct sunlight, at solar zenith angles of 80°, 84°, and 87°, to quantify contributions to the total column from the stratosphere and troposphere. As discussed in the main body of our paper, they reported good agreement between the retrieved stratospheric column BrO and values found using the SLIMCAT model, for total model  $Br_y$  of 21 ppt. This level of  $Br_y$  represents a contribution of 6 ppt to the stratospheric budget from VSL organic bromine source gases [Schofield *et al.*, 2004].

Figure 8 compares the Schofield *et al.* [2004] measurement of stratospheric BrO to values found using the AER model. In this comparison, model results for BrO at noon are shown, since this quantity is routinely saved during long-term ozone loss simulations. The measured BrO column of  $2.35 \pm 0.47 \times 10^{13}$  molecules/cm<sup>2</sup> found for SZA=80° is shown, along with a data point scaled to noon,  $2.80 \pm 0.56 \times 10^{13}$  molecules/cm<sup>2</sup>. Model curves shown in figure 8 of Schofield *et al.* [2004] were used to estimate the change in BrO column between SZA=80° and noon; similar scaling factors are found using our photochemical model.

Calculations of column BrO at noon from the AER model, found for March 2003, are shown for model runs using  $Br_y^{TROP}$  of 0, 4, and 8 ppt. The measurement of Schofield *et al.* [2004], scaled to noon, is most consistent with a value for

$\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  of ~6 ppt. This comparison is shown to support the statement in the paper that our finding of a significant offset to the  $\text{Br}_y$  vs tracer curve, of magnitude between 4 and 8 ppt, is “generally consistent with the findings of *Schofield et al.* [2004]”.

We conclude this section by noting that direct comparison of BrO from the AER model to ground-based BrO column measurements reported by *Sinnhuber et al.* [2002] is beyond the scope of this paper. *Sinnhuber et al.* [2002] focused on “Differential Slant Column Density” (DSCD) of BrO. Computation of DSCD BrO requires tying global model calculations of BrO profiles to a multiple scattering radiative transfer code that is accurate for twilight conditions. *Sinnhuber et al.* [2002] reported “the absolute amount of the BrO slant columns is consistent with a total stratospheric bromine loading of  $20 \pm 4$  ppt for the period 1998-2000”. This abundance represents a ~5 ppt contribution from VSL species. In their study,  $\text{CH}_3\text{Br}$  was used as a surrogate for the stratospheric entry of all bromine compounds (e.g., the calculated  $\text{Br}_y$  vs tracer relation did not explicitly account for the shorter lifetimes of VSL species).

Considering the various uncertainties of the *Sinnhuber et al.* [2002] study, it appears their measurements might be consistent with our view of non-zero  $\text{Br}_y$  near the tropopause. For most of the stations that measured BrO, they reported that observed DSCD exceeds modeled DSCD (found using  $\text{Br}_y=20$  ppt) by about 10% (paragraph [28]). Furthermore, potential contributions to calculated DSCD BrO due to aerosol scattering and tropospheric BrO were not considered in the base case of *Sinnhuber et al.* [2002]. Both of these factors, examined in table 3 of their paper, would lead to an inference of higher levels of stratospheric  $\text{Br}_y$ . It would be interesting to see comparisons of measured and modeled DSCD BrO, following a treatment for the stratospheric entry of  $\text{Br}_y$  in a 3D model similar to that outlined in the main body of our paper.

## The Effect of JPL 2002 Kinetics on Ozone Trends, The Statistics of Measured and Modeled Ozone Trends, and Additional Comments on Ozone Trends

The main body of the paper states “use of the latest rate constants [within the AER 2D model] reduces the computed ozone depletion relative to results presented in *WMO* [2003] by about 13% (auxiliary material)”. Also, numerical values for measured and modeled ozone loss are given in Figure 4 and discussed in the text. Supporting details are described here.

As noted in the main body of the paper, most 2D and 3D ozone assessment models fail to account for the full extent of observed depletion of column ozone at Northern Hemisphere mid-latitudes when using scenarios for the time evolution of  $\text{Cl}_y$ ,  $\text{Br}_y$ ,  $\text{CH}_4$ ,  $\text{N}_2\text{O}$ , and aerosol loading prescribed by *WMO* [2003] [e.g., Figure 4 of our paper; figure 4-33 of *WMO*, 2003; see also *Solomon et al.*, 1994; *Jackman et al.*, 1996; and *Solomon et al.*, 1997]. Models compare more favorably to observations of total ozone depletion between 60°S and 60°N, but this comparison hides problems such as the fact that most models find considerable ozone loss in the tropics, a region where little loss is actually observed [*WMO*, 2003; *Andersen et al.*, 2004]. Models also fail to capture the vertical profile of ozone loss, particularly below 20 km altitude [figure 4-30, *WMO*, 2003].

Details of the implementation of the AER model used here and in *WMO* [2003] are given by *Rinsland et al.* [2003]. For these calculations, year-to-year temperature variability was included in the model between 1979 and 1995. Climatological temperatures were used for following years. Climatological transport parameters were used for all years of the simulation.

The comparison between modeled and measured ozone depletion shown in *WMO* [2003] will get worse once models adopt the latest kinetics formulation [*Sander et al.*, 2003; hereafter JPL 2002]. Presently, published studies of ozone depletion rely on JPL 2000 kinetics [*Sander et al.*, 2000]. Figure 9 shows a comparison of calculated changes in ozone, between 35°–60°N and between 35°–60°S, for runs of the AER model with  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  set to zero, using JPL 2000 kinetics and using rate constants from JPL 2002. Both the data and the AER model results using JPL 2000 kinetics shown in Figure 9 are exactly the same as shown in figure 4-33 of *WMO* [2003]. We expect that the amount of ozone depletion found by most ozone assessment models will become smaller relative to the values found in *WMO* [2003], by an amount comparable to that shown in Figure 9, once the latest rate constants are adopted.

The most significant change between JPL 2000 and JPL 2002 is the almost factor of 2 reduction in the rate constant for  $\text{ClO} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HOCl} + \text{O}_2$ . This accounts for about 2/3 of the difference between the JPL 2000 and JPL 2002 curves shown in Figure 9. The rest of the difference is due mainly to the JPL 2002 update for the rate constant of  $\text{OH} + \text{NO}_2 + \text{M} \rightarrow \text{HNO}_3 + \text{M}$ . There are research issues associated with both of these rate constants, such as: Why do large differences persist in laboratory measurements of the  $\text{ClO} + \text{HO}_2$  rate constant reported by various groups? Can atmospheric measurements of HOCl be used to shed light on the rate of stratospheric ozone loss by the  $\text{ClO} + \text{HO}_2$  cycle? Does formation of stable HOONO by the reaction  $\text{OH} + \text{NO}_2 + \text{M}$  preclude use of a simple Troe expression for the rate constant?

We note also that if the amount of bromine in the lowermost stratosphere represented by model runs with  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  of 4 or 8 ppt is realistic, then the catalytic cycle limited by the  $\text{BrO} + \text{HO}_2$  reaction has increased importance for photochemical loss of ozone in this region (Figure 5). This catalytic cycle might also be responsible for significant loss of ozone in the free troposphere [*von Glasow et al.*, 2004]. In our model simulations, we have assumed that  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  is constant over time. Even though the ozone photochemical lifetime is large below 14 km, variability in  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  might have consequences for past or future changes in column ozone [*Solomon et al.*, 1994]. The  $\text{BrO} + \text{HO}_2$  rate constant, which underwent a major revision between the JPL 1994 and JPL 1997 recommendations, is currently uncertain by nearly a factor of 2 at 220 K [*Sander et al.*, 2003]. This reaction likely requires additional laboratory study, particularly at cold temperatures characteristic of the lower stratosphere. Also, the impact of cold-sulfate or sub-visible cirrus on  $\text{O}_3$  depletion in the LMS might require a re-evaluation

because BrO associated with *enhanced* Br<sub>y</sub> provides a reaction partner for activated ClO, which is an ozone loss process that is not represented in present model evaluations [e.g., *Bregman et al.*, 2002; *WMO*, 2003].

The average values of computed ozone depletion for various runs of the AER 2D model are given in Table 3. Results are shown for the spatial regions 35°–60°N and 35°–60°S, for 6 runs: Br<sub>y</sub><sup>TROP</sup> values of 0, 4, and 8 ppt, for both JPL 2000 and JPL 2002 kinetics. The quantities in Table 3 represent the average amount of ozone depletion for each model run, from the start of 1980 until the end of 2000 (this time interval is chosen to match availability of data for the ozone time series from *WMO* [2003]). Units are percent per year deviation of column ozone, from the average value of column ozone for the year 1980. Values for the JPL 2002 model runs are also given in Figure 4.

The entries in Table 3 show that the use of JPL 2002 rate constants has the largest effect on computed trends for the northern hemisphere (NH), in the Br<sub>y</sub><sup>TROP</sup> = 0 ppt model run. This result is due to the ClO+HO<sub>2</sub> cycle having a larger effect on ozone loss, relative to the other loss cycles that involve ClO, for the 35°–60°N region of the model simulation that uses the *WMO* Br<sub>y</sub> scenario. For the 35°–60°S region, the ClO+ClO and BrO+ClO cycles are responsible for larger amounts of ozone depletion due to export of air from the simulated ozone hole. As Br<sub>y</sub><sup>TROP</sup> is increased, all model results are less sensitive to the choice of JPL 2000 versus JPL 2002 kinetics, since the BrO+ClO cycle, which has the same rate constant in both evaluations, has a larger role in the resulting ozone loss. The percentage difference between the ozone depletion from the JPL 2000 and JPL 2002 model runs given in Table 3 has been averaged, using depletion from JPL 2000 in the denominator, to arrive at the value of 13% for the effect of updated kinetics on ozone loss that is given in the main body of the paper.

Table 3 also contains an entry for measured ozone depletion, for the 35°–60°N and 35°–60°S regions, resulting from averaging the data points from *WMO* [2003] shown in Figures 4 and 9, for the time interval from the start of 1980 to the end of 2000 (last time point covered by the *WMO* [2003] data set). Units are percent deviation from the average for the year 1980: e.g., same units as used for the model results in Table 3. These numerical values are also given in Figure 4. The data and the method of smoothing are described in detail by *WMO* [2003]. Results shown here and in *WMO* [2003] are based on a “merged satellite data record” that originates from the work of *Fioletov et al.* [2002].

Comparison of the measured and modeled ozone depletion values in Table 3 is perhaps simplistic, overlooking details such as timing of the ozone loss and response to forcings such as enhanced volcanic aerosols. Nonetheless, the entries reveal that model runs using Br<sub>y</sub><sup>TROP</sup> = 8 ppt and JPL 2002 rate constants account for ~92% of the overall measured ozone loss between 35°–60°N and for ~93% of the loss between 35°–60°S. In contrast, the JPL 2002 model run using the *WMO* Br<sub>y</sub> scenario accounts for ~65% and ~75% of the observed ozone loss in the 35°–60°N and 35°–60°S regions, respectively. This analysis supports the statement in our abstract that “including this additional bromine in an ozone trend simulation increases the computed ozone depletion over the past ~25 years, leading to better agreement between measured and modeled ozone trends.”

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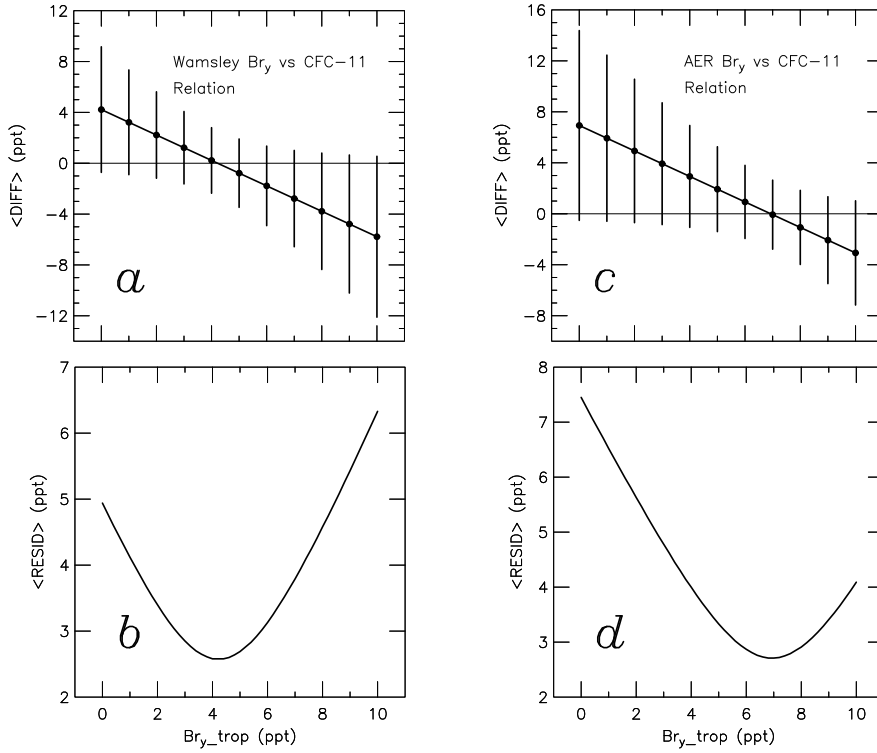


Figure 6. Panel *a*. Mean difference (i.e.,  $\langle \text{DIFF} \rangle$  in equation (2) of text) between values of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{BrO}}$  (data points, Figure 1) and values of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{Org-Fit}}$  based on the decomposition of organic bromocarbons given by Wamsley *et al.* [1998] with an additive offset  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$ , plotted versus  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$ . Error bars, shown only at integer values of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  for clarity, are the square root of the mean of the squared residuals (same quantity shown in next panel; see text).

Panel *b* The square root of the mean of the squared residuals ( $\langle \text{RESID} \rangle$  in equation (3) of text), as a function of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$ . Best fit to the data is for  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}} = 4.2$  ppt.

Panel *c*. Same as panel *a*, except for the  $\text{Br}_y$  versus CFC-11 relation from the AER model (35°N, September 1994) found using the WMO [2003]  $\text{Br}_y$  baseline scenario Ab.

Panel *d*. Same as panel *b*, except for the AER  $\text{Br}_y$  versus CFC-11 relation. Best fit is for  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}} = 6.9$  ppt.



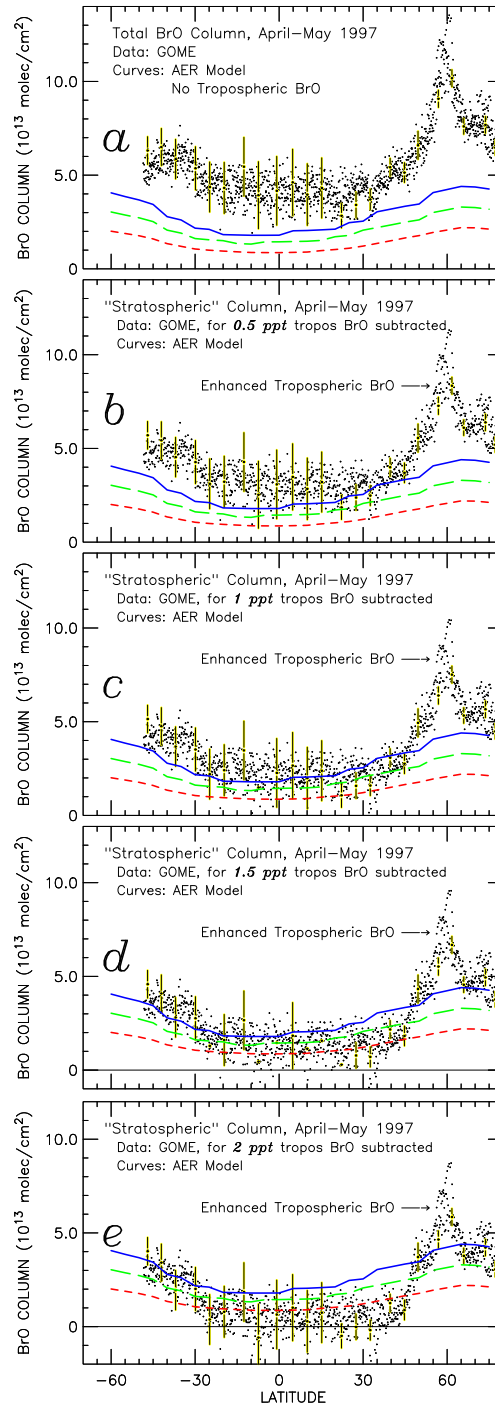


Figure 7. Panel *a*. Total column BrO (late morning) measured by GOME on April 30, 1997 assuming a stratospheric airmass factor (e.g., that all of the BrO was present in the stratosphere) compared to columns above the chemical tropopause from the AER model for April 15, 1997 (local noon), for  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  values of 0 (red short-dashed), 4 (green long-dashed), and 8 (blue solid) ppt. Error bars denote  $1\sigma$  total measurement uncertainty based on considerations such as residuals in spectral fit as described by *Chance* [1998], and are shown only for every 50<sup>th</sup> point for clarity. Panels *b* to *e*. The contribution to the GOME signal from BrO in the stratosphere, found by assuming mixing ratios of BrO distributed uniformly in the troposphere (see text for details), at levels of 0.5, 1.0, 1.5, and 2.0 ppt, respectively. Model calculations of stratospheric BrO are the same for all panels. Data acquired over Hudson Bay are noted by "enhanced tropospheric BrO" (see text). The shift in the y-axis for panels *d* and *e* is designed to show data points that fall below zero when larger amounts of tropospheric BrO are subtracted.

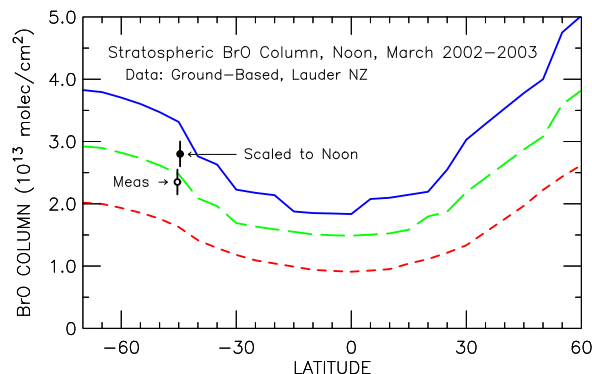


Figure 8. Stratospheric BrO vertical column measured over Lauder, New Zealand ( $45^{\circ}\text{S}$ ) at a solar zenith angle of  $80^{\circ}$  during March 2002 and March 2003 (open circle) reported by *Schofield et al.* [2004]. Data for the two years, which are quite similar, have been averaged. Error bar represents measurement uncertainty described by *Schofield et al.* [2004]. The closed circle represents the BrO vertical column at noon over Lauder. Calculated stratospheric BrO vertical column at noon from the AER 2D model (March 2003) is shown as a function of latitude for runs using values of  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  equal to 0 (red short-dashed), 4 (green long-dashed), and 8 (blue solid) ppt.

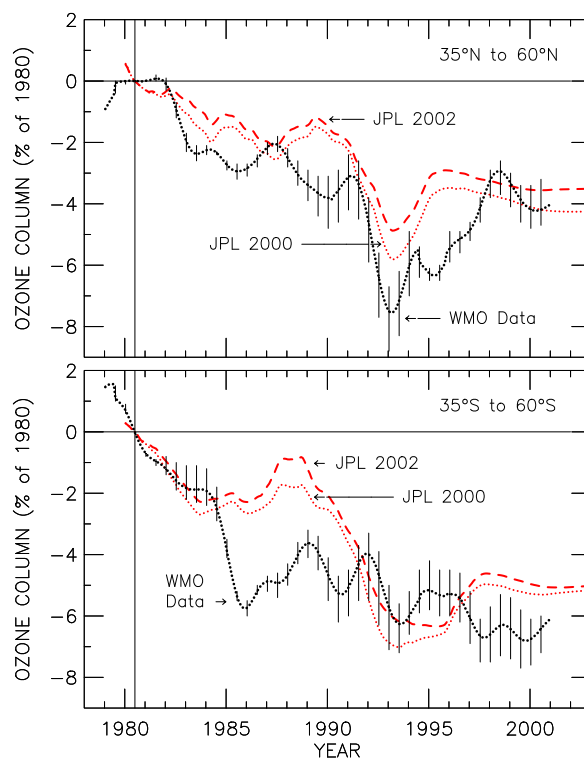


Figure 9. Calculated change in column ozone relative to 1980 levels for  $35^{\circ}\text{N}$  to  $60^{\circ}\text{N}$  (panel *a*) and for  $35^{\circ}\text{S}$  to  $60^{\circ}\text{S}$  (panel *b*) using the AER 2D model with  $\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$  set equal to 0, using JPL 2002 (red dashed) and using JPL 2000 kinetics (red dotted). Also shown are the observed changes in column ozone, same data as presented in figure 4-33 of *WMO* [2003].

Table 1. Model Inputs for Calculation of Br<sub>y</sub> from measured BrO, 22°S, 29 November 1997.

Alt (km)	T (K)	p (hPa)	BrO (ppt)	BrO Unc. Low (ppt)	BrO Unc. High (ppt)	SZA (deg)	O <sub>3</sub> (ppm)	N <sub>2</sub> O (ppb)	NO <sub>y</sub> (ppb)	CH <sub>4</sub> (ppm)	H <sub>2</sub> O (ppm)	Sulfate SA 10 <sup>-8</sup> cm <sup>2</sup> /cm <sup>3</sup>
15	201.9	132.2	0.586	0.00	2.09	77.97	0.19	313.10	0.69	1.74	6.05	4.81
16	202.1	109.3	1.09	0.00	2.64	78.74	0.052	313.10	0.69	1.74	5.00	3.89
17	195.9	93.0	1.71	0.09	3.32	79.27	0.11	313.10	0.69	1.74	4.32	1.88
18	199.1	78.6	3.35	1.60	5.04	79.81	0.55	300.60	1.73	1.61	3.96	1.05
19	203.8	65.6	4.26	2.44	6.01	80.51	0.68	288.80	2.67	1.57	3.91	0.65
20	208.4	57.1	6.11	4.18	7.91	81.06	1.43	279.80	3.38	1.53	3.95	0.64
21	212.4	47.3	7.46	5.39	9.37	81.74	1.99	269.10	4.19	1.49	4.00	0.59
22	217.0	40.6	8.07	5.96	10.02	82.29	2.59	259.00	4.94	1.44	4.13	0.54
23	218.3	34.8	9.46	7.24	11.48	82.81	3.41	248.10	5.73	1.39	4.27	0.51
24	216.7	29.6	12.5	9.94	14.73	83.30	4.85	238.70	6.39	1.35	4.38	0.45
25	221.6	24.5	11.6	9.17	13.80	83.93	5.25	229.60	7.01	1.32	4.45	0.36
26	223.1	21.4	11.5	8.88	13.92	84.39	5.81	223.30	7.43	1.29	4.49	0.31
27	227.1	18.9	14.7	11.56	17.50	84.72	7.50	217.90	7.79	1.26	4.53	0.26
28	229.2	15.8	15.6	12.08	18.76	85.41	8.73	210.40	8.27	1.23	4.59	0.23
29	241.4	13.7	15.7	11.54	19.39	85.96	9.34	197.10	9.10	1.20	4.64	0.21
30	234.2	11.5	14.8	10.78	18.48	86.68	9.60	174.20	10.44	1.16	4.71	0.22

Table 2. Model Output: Calculated Br<sub>y</sub>, 22°S, 29 November 1997, using inputs from Table 1.

Alt (km)	Br <sub>y</sub> (ppt)	Br <sub>y</sub> Meas. Unc. Low (ppt)	Br <sub>y</sub> Meas. Unc. High (ppt)	Br <sub>y</sub> Total Unc. Low (ppt)	Br <sub>y</sub> Total Unc. High (ppt)
15	1.38	0.00	4.91	0.00	4.93
16	3.98	0.00	9.63	0.00	9.63
17	4.35	0.22	8.44	0.21	8.46
18	8.79	4.20	13.23	3.81	14.24
19	12.03	6.88	16.96	6.14	18.90
20	16.46	11.25	21.31	9.80	24.90
21	18.57	13.41	23.32	11.71	27.68
22	18.95	13.99	23.53	12.32	27.93
23	21.89	16.75	26.57	14.67	31.96
24	28.41	22.60	33.48	19.66	41.20
25	24.55	19.40	29.20	17.27	34.94
26	23.42	18.08	28.35	16.36	33.14
27	28.38	22.33	33.79	20.52	38.90
28	28.07	21.73	33.75	20.49	37.77
29	26.99	19.85	33.33	19.10	35.57
30	25.01	18.22	31.22	17.52	33.35

**Table 3.** Measured and Modeled Ozone Depletion,  
percent of 1980 value  
Time interval: start of 1980 to end of 2000  
Model: AER 2D [*Rinsland et al.*, 2003]  
Data: Merged satellite data [*WMO*, 2003]

35°–60°N:

Model:	$\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$	JPL 2002	JPL 2000
	0 ppt	–2.24	–2.69
	4 ppt	–2.70	–3.16
	8 ppt	–3.16	–3.63
Data:		–3.44	

35°–60°S:

Model:	$\text{Br}_y^{\text{TROP}}$	JPL 2002	JPL 2000
	0 ppt	–3.31	–3.75
	4 ppt	–3.73	–4.18
	8 ppt	–4.11	–4.58
Data:		–4.42	

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